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Chicopee sees historic voter registration

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

Chicopee residents are taking the Nov. 3 election seriously. As of Oct. 21, Registrar of Voters Janina Surdyka reported that 38,825 eligible voters had registered – a monumental total.

"This is the highest number of registered voters in the history of the city," said Surdyka. "Never before have we seen so much interest in a regular election or a Presidential election. We are surprised to see many new voters. It's great to see the young people, especially, registering."

Approximately 55,000 people live in Chicopee. Given that several thousand individuals residing in the city are either below the required voting age or aren't U.S. citizens, an extremely high percentage of eligible voters have registered, Surdyka said.

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> **– Janina Surdyka, Registrar of Voters**

"The pandemic definitely contributes," Surdyka said, also noting that this year's Presidential candidates "have a drastically different vision for our country."

Surdyka also reported that a large number of teenagers pre-registered to vote in the Nov. 3 election. While anyone voting has to be at least 18 years old on Election Day, he or she can register beginning at age 16.

"We have 312 young people who pre-registered at the age of 16 or 17; some of them will be 18 on Election Day," said Surdyka.

Surdyka is thrilled to see democracy at work. Growing up in socialist Poland, she observed a much different process than the one that she now helps to facilitate.

"I come from a country where everybody had to vote, and that wasn't fun. Everybody was forced to vote, but if you

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City Hall deems trick-or-treating unsafe

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

Trick-or-treating is always scary, but this Halloween, it will become dangerous due to risks posed by COVID-19 – a reality that forced City Hall to discourage residents from partaking in the activity this year.

Mayor John Vieau described the decision as "a heavy one."

Due to the potential of community spread, the Mayor's Office suggested that "traditional Halloween activities should be avoided," he wrote in a Sept. 25 press release.

On Oct. 21, 10 days prior Halloween, Vieau lamented over the temporary disfiguration of one of the city's favorite fall holidays.

"No one wants to take these traditions away from anyone, especially the kids," said Vieau, noting that surrounding communities have taken similar actions. "My COVID team and I waited as long as we could to make a decision… This is the best way to keep our residents safe and to avoid any unnecessary outside exposure."

While Vieau recommends that residents forgo traditional trick-or-treating, but there are still many ways that children can have fun on Halloween. Carving pumpkins, decorating homes, participating in virtual costume contests and having a Halloween move night are all healthy alternatives.

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St. Stan's drive-through bazaar attendees 'loved every minute'

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

Last weekend, organizers of the St. Stanislaus Parish's annual bazaar felt the event was a smashing success.

Dozens of parishioners volunteered in and outside of St. Stanislaus School on Front St. on Oct. 17, while many more ate pierogis and listened to music from the comfort of their vehicles.

"This year, we couldn't hold our regular bazaar indoors like we usually do so we decided to have the drive-through bazaar," said Cindy Conklin, a member of the organizing committee.

During the event, Dennis Polisky & Maestro's Men played live polka music. Their performance was simultaneously featured on an enormous screen, positioned at the back edge of the parking lot, enabling attendees to enjoy each song audibly and visually.

An outdoor bazaar sponsored by St. Stanislaus Parish was held on Front St. last Saturday.

Maryanne Papp, a parishioner, took in the festivities while standing beside "Teddy Raffle," a large teddy bear covered in $25 in cash and $95 worth of lottery tickets. During a year that has been defined by isolation, Papp cherished the opportunity to celebrate together and fundraise on behalf of the parish.

[L to R] Dina Soja and Cindy Conklin coordinate with fellow volunteers at the St. Stanislaus Parish's annual bazaar on Oct. 17.

"It's wonderful. We see people, we're getting together, we're family and we're loving every minute of it. We really are absolutely loving every minute of it. We've all got our masks and our gloves on, and everything is fine," said Papp.

Michael Pise, Mayor John Vieau's Chief of Staff, noted that everyone was maintaining social distance and wearing masks. He added that there were no more than 25 people in the kitchen at any given time.

The scene inside the school's kitchen was joyous. Joe Dynak spearheaded the

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Fire department secures $1.12 million grant

The Chicopee Fire Dept.'s grant writing team recently secured a $1.12 million grant that will pay the salaries of six new firefighters for the next three years.

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

The Chicopee Fire Department's grant writing committee has struck gold once more.

Earlier this month, the department announced that it has been named as a recipient of the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant, a $1.12 million award that will enable the hiring of six new firefighters.

"It's a government grant to pay for the salaries of six firefighters for three full years. The government will pay the full salary; it's a really good program," said Deputy Chief Matthew Cross.

The SAFER grant program was launched by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to provide funding directly to fire departments during the COVID-19 pandemic. Lt. Zachary Vozella, a member of the committee that applied for the grant, discussed a process that he and his colleagues regularly partake in.

"You kind of have to dig. They're out there, but you do have to look for them," said Vozella. "You have to do the research and find out what grants apply specifically to your city and what you'll get approved for. The matter of putting it together is a lot of work, too, because you have to do it right. You have to make sure you fill them in full."

When it came to applying for the SAFER grant, Fire Chief Dan Stamborski applauded the committee's effort.

"It's invaluable for this department, for this city and for the taxpayers. The entire team – they come in here on their own time. It's a volunteer team that we started," said Stamborski. "It's divide and conquer; some people search demographics, other people research the grant itself and other people write the narrative. Everybody puts this project together like we do the fire service: as a big team."

Cross described the committee as being both "ambitious and joined."

He also said the benefits of the FEMA-sponsored grant differs from the Assistance to Firefighters Grants Program that the department often taps into.

"Normally, with these AFG grants, it's kind of a tiered system," said Cross. "They pay 75% the first year, and then last year it goes down to 35%. The city would have to pay the 25%, the 25% and the 65% (for the duration of the grant). With this (SAFER) grant, the government will pay 100%."

The department has received numerous grants over the past 12 months, all of which pale in comparison to the $1.12 million SAFER grant, according to Cross. For the City of Chicopee, the establishment of the grant writing committee has paid dividends.

The responsibility of selecting the seven-member committee falls on Stamborski, who has been openly impressed by its results. Stamborski feels strongly that the committee's work serves not only the department, but all those who live in Chicopee.

"I think they're very fortunate, because the bottom line is there's less tax money coming out of their property tax bill," along with other benefits, he said. "We've been very fortunate this year. We've gotten a lot of grant money for the city, and we're thrilled."

The grant committee consists of Cross, Vozella, Lt. Matthew Zabik, Lt. Aaron Lombardino, FF Jamison Reece, firefighters Bart Orzol and Kristen Therrien.

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New Spectrum store open in Chicopee

CHICOPEE – Charter Communications, Inc. announced last week the opening of a new Spectrum Store in Chicopee. The Spectrum store gives consumers in the Chicopee area the option for adding or managing their Spectrum Internet, TV, Mobile or Voice services.

"Our Spectrum stores team is here to help our local customers who need support in getting and staying connected during these uncertain times," said Pattie Eliason, senior vice president of Spectrum stores and retail. "They are working to make our new store in Chicopee a safe, convenient environment to add or manage services, shop for devices and accessories or make payments, while ensuring we adhere to current local and state health and safety guidelines."

The new Chicopee store at 591 Memorial Drive is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. To help protect the safety of customers and employees, and in accordance with CDC guidelines and state and local orders, social distancing is required in the store, with occupancy of the store managed by store employees. Spectrum stores are cleaned and disinfected regularly, with frequent cleaning of high-touch areas and hand sanitizer available throughout the store.

The new Spectrum store offers the latest devices and accessories compatible with Spectrum Mobile, including access to next-generation 5G service where available.

Along with sampling and ordering Spectrum services, customers also can complete a variety of transactions at the store, including account payments and upgrading or exchanging equipment.

Information on Spectrum store locations can be found online along with more information about Spectrum products and services. 24-hour customer assistance is available at 1-855-707-7328.

Early voting at City Hall

CHICOPEE – Early voting will be held at City Hall from October 17 – 30.

Hours will be Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., and Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

The Second entrance inbetween City Hall and the Annex will be used for early voting purposes only. Early Voters will only be able to use the elevator or the back stairwell to reach the fourth-floor chambers. Screening protocols will be in place; early voters will be asked to have their temperature screened by the door monitors, but no one will be denied their right to vote, according to a statement from city officials.

There will be an increased frequency in cleaning and disinfecting of high-touch areas within the chambers, elevator, and doors. Hand sanitizer, masks and gloves will be provided for early voters and staff as necessary.

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"Yes, it is possible to have fun and stay safe," said Vieau. "We've seen it since the beginning of this pandemic. The most creative and imaginative ways that the residents of Chicopee have celebrated birthdays, attended graduations, and generally kept the traditions alive; they just look a little different."

City Hall's difficult decision to dissuade residents from trick-or-treating was made in accordance with recommendations made by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, said Vieau. He strongly urged parents to follow the recommendation and asked residents to limit drinking or drug use on Oct. 31.

"I do not claim to be an expert, but I do know that partaking in any alcohol/drug use will impair a person's judgment and may reduce the ability to keep his or herself or others safe from contracting the virus," said Vieau, adding that the CDC has suggested that alcohol consumption can increase the risk of COVID-19 complications.

In addition to avoiding trick-or-treating on Halloween, the city of Chicopee asks that residents refrain from having trunk-or-treat activities, going to indoor haunted houses, going on tractor rides with people who are not in your family and hosting or attending parties with more than 25 people.

Vieau stressed that Halloween masks are not an adequate substitute for regular masks. He added that when attending a gathering in which attendees are not social distancing or wearing a mask, leaving is one's safest option.

Regardless of the circumstances, Vieau is optimistic that it will still be a memorable occasion.

"Halloween is the time of the year that imagination is the most visible, and I have no doubts that the citizens of Chicopee will find the best way to do it and do it safely for the sake of our kids," he said.

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PNCU celebrates Polish American Heritage Month

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Members of the Polish National Credit Union join Chicopee Mayor John Vieau (far right) during a celebration of Polish Heritage Month on Oct. 14.

Mayor John Vieau stands with PNCU Branch Manager Ela Vickers outside of City Hall on Oct. 14.

Mayor John Vieau and PNCU Branch Manager Ela Vickers address a crowd gathered outside of City Hall on Oct. 14 to celebrate Polish Heritage Day.

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

Each October, the United States celebrates Polish American Heritage Month to display gratitude toward the millions of Polish immigrants who have landed on our shores in pursuit of a better life and the American dream.

In the city of Chicopee, Polish National Credit Union (PNCU) leads the annual celebration. While PNCU has grown into one of the city's most established institutions, its humble beginnings make the month worthy of commemoration each year.

The first Polish immigrants arrived in Chicopee in 1880. Their roots can be traced back to the southern portion of the Polish nation of Galicia. Many Poles were able to gain employment in the city's textile mills, aiming to earn enough money to bring both relatives and friends to America.

By 1885, there were 205 Poles residing in Chicopee, according to the town's census. Chicopee was not officially designated as a city until 1890.

Despite their earnings, many Polish immigrants were unable to receive loans or basic deposit accounts for their families, which sparked the creation of the PNCU in the early 20th century.

"We were established in 1921. There was a group of 15 men; all they had in their pockets was $325. That is what our credit union was founded on," said Sarah Mailhott, PNCU's marketing manager, noting that the institution originally shared space on Exchange Street with a real estate agency and an insurance firm.

"We did endure some difficult years," Mailhott continued. "It was hard to get members, but under a watchful eye, we did become successful. In the year 1967, they were finally able to build a new credit union building on Exchange Street. That's where our first (independent) location was. It's an American success story."

Felix Furtek served as the credit union's first president. As Mailhott alluded too, the institution's early years were far from easy.

Nine months after its establishment, the credit union's capital was only $6,081.50. The operating profit for September and October of 1921 was merely $51.89.

Slowly but surely, PNCU began to develop, operating daily from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. Deposits as low as 50 cents were accepted from individuals of all ages.

Furtek's ambition and work ethic are renowned among Chicopee's Polish circles. Furtek was known for working 60-hour weeks and became the first Polish-American member of the Chicopee School Committee, where he encouraged immigrants to learn English, pursue an education and become U.S. citizens.

In 1989, a larger office was established at 46 Main St., and numerous full service branches have since been established across western Massachusetts. Today, PNCU operates eight branches located in Chicopee, Granby, Westfield, Southampton, Hampden and Wilbraham.

For young, aspiring businessmen and women like Mailhott, PNCU's origin story is highly motivational. She considers the institution's history to be "ammunition" to do better – motivation that she uses every day.

"When I first came to Chicopee, I noticed a huge sense of pride that people have for their cultures and different backgrounds and heritages in the area," said Mailhott. "I think people are very proud of their heritage and culture, so to be able to celebrate among a group of individuals who are so willing to share their stories and their experiences has been amazing."

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Voter registration deadline Oct. 24

CHICOPEE – This Saturday, Oct. 24, is the last day to register to vote or to report a change of name or address for the Nov. 3 State and Presidential Election.

Chicopee Registrars of Voters office will be opened from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and from 7 – 8 p.m. on that day to accept affidavits of voter registrations.

In an effort to limit coronavirus exposure, the Chicopee Board of Registrars of Voters is asking residents who have valid Massachusetts driver's license or state ID to register to vote on the City website www.chicopeema.gov, or using Secretary of State website. www.sec.state.ma.us/ovr/

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SOCIAL SECURITY MATTERS

Can I get Social Security with my municipal pension?

By Russell Gloor
Guest columnist

Dear Rusty: I retired from a municipal Fire Department seven years ago at the age of 54. It is a private pension, and I was exempt from Social Security while I was working. I receive about $50,000 per year in pension benefits. I recently got a letter from Social Security saying I needed eight more credits of work to qualify for Social Security benefits. I was wondering if I worked two more years, paying into Social Security, would I qualify for benefits, since I am on a municipal pension? Signed: Retired Fireman

Dear Retired Fireman: Although your municipal Fire Department pension would reduce your Social Security benefit, it will not eliminate it. So, if you work and earn those additional eight credits you will be entitled to a Social Security benefit.

Because of your non-covered municipal pension your Social Security benefit will be affected by the Windfall Elimination Provision, which affects anyone who has a pension from an employer which did not participate in Social Security where neither the employee nor the employer paid into Social Security. WEP uses a special benefit computation formula which will result in you getting a smaller benefit, but you will, nevertheless, get some benefit amount if you have accumulated at least 40 quarters of Social Security credit. Note that your Social Security benefit amount will be further reduced if you claim it at age 62, or any age prior to your full retirement age.

You earn Social Security credits by working in a job where you pay FICA payroll taxes on your earnings, and you can earn a maximum of four Social Security credits per year. For 2020, you'll earn one credit for each $1,410 of earnings, up to a maximum of four credits for the year, but you don't need to work the entire year to get the credits. For example, if you work yet in 2020 and earn $5,640, which is four times $1,410, you'll earn the maximum four credits for this year.

You need a total of 40 quarter credits to become eligible for Social Security, and those credits never expire, so even old credits earned before your Fire Department career still count. And, even if small, this would be a benefit you have earned by contributing to Social Security, so there's little reason not to pursue it by gaining the needed additional credits.

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GUEST COLUMN

Roberta McQuaid

Two timely questions for the Garden Lady

Mary asked me this question: "I bought some fantastic pumpkins this year. I can't wait to carve them into Jack O' Lanterns with the kids! Is it possible to save the seeds and plant them next year? I'd love to end up with the same pumpkin variety again."

I am in the same boat, Mary! I love the pumpkins my kids chose this year and will be attempting to save the seeds myself. I think it is definitely worth the chance, but first let's give you a lesson in genetics. Pumpkins belong to the genus Cucurbita. Cucurbita pepo is the easiest to figure out. Its members are what you might think of as a traditional pumpkin grown in the northeastern part of the country: orange with a woody stem and a hard outer skin. Teeny 'Jack-Be-Little' as well as the heirloom 'Connecticut Field' and sweet 'New England Pie' all belong to the species pepo. Unfortunately or not, gourds, acorn squash, spaghetti squash and summer squashes do as well, so if the pumpkin farmer grew any other variety of pepo cross pollination may have occurred and the plants you grow next year may not be true to type from the seeds you save.

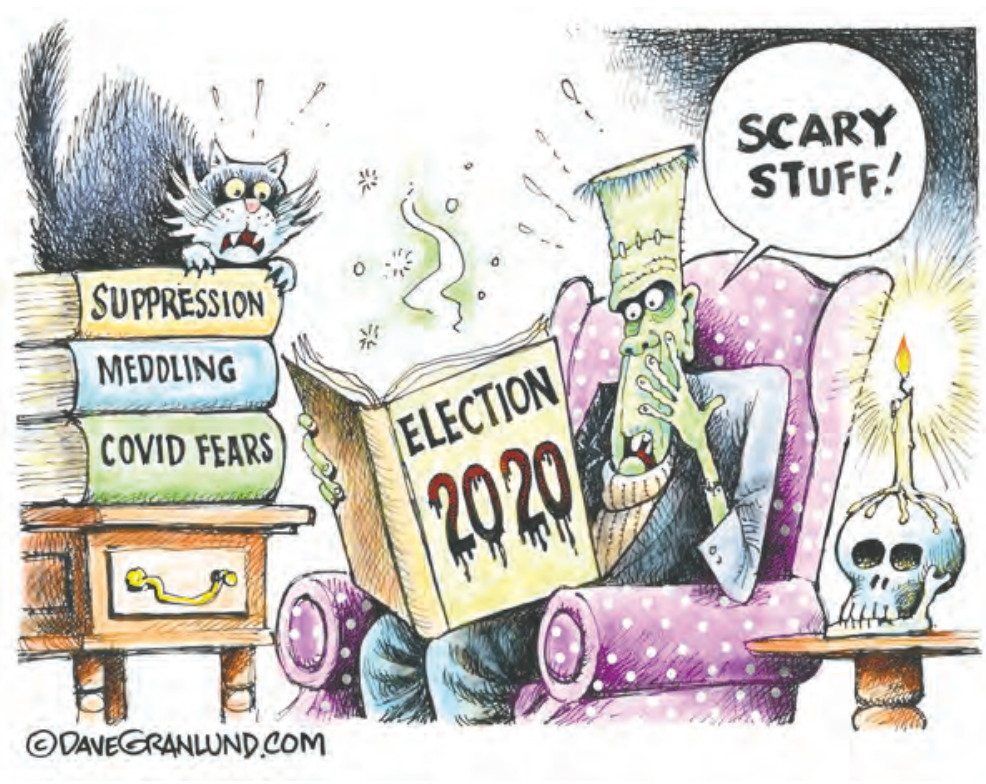
If you'd like to experiment, let's assume that the pumpkins were the one and only inhabitants of pumpkin patch. The actual process of saving seeds is very simple. After hollowing out your favorite pumpkins, those with the attributes you like the best and want to pass on to future generations, simply wash the seeds quickly in a colander, blot on a paper towel and place on a pie plate for several days until completely dry. Store for the winter in an envelope marked with the variety and date in a cool, humidity-free spot. In late winter you can easily conduct a germination test. The easiest way to do it is to sow a few seeds in a paper cup filled with soil and placed in a warm spot. Record how many come up and then plan accordingly when you sow your hills come springtime.

This question came from Jeremy, who reads the column in the Journal Register: "Can you give me some tips for digging up my cherished rosemary plant and overwintering it in the house?"

Perhaps the most cherished of all tender herbs is Rosemary (Rosemarinus officinalis), the herb of remembrance. For many years I brought my plants in and out with the seasons, and they got amazingly large. I wish you the same luck. The key to growing it successfully indoors is "cool but sunny." My old house affords me many such microclimates. If you aren't as fortunate, try for a sunny window away from dry heat, in other words far from heat vents.

But first, make sure you give it the best possible start by salvaging as much of the root ball as possible. This will minimize the shock of being potted up. Position your shovel along the "drip line" of the plant and dig straight down, completely around its circumference. After you've made your way around, get your shovel underneath and lift. Have a pot ready- one that is an inch or two bigger than the root ball is sufficient, and will allow for minimal winter growth. My container of choice is always plastic, but glazed pottery is fine too. Steer clear of clay; it dries out too quickly. I usually put a couple of inches of potting soil into the container, set the plant and then fill in with more as needed before watering well. Oftentimes I leave the plants outside until a hard frost threatens, then I bring them in and back out until the weather turns decidedly cold. You can use this same advice for other tender herbs such as French lavender, bay tree and scented geraniums.

Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For the last 28 years, she has held the position of staff horticulturalist at Old Sturbridge Village. She enjoys growing food as well as flowers. Have a question for her? Email it to ekennedy@turley.com with "Gardening Question" in the subject line.



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Local Students Graduate from Western New England University

SPRINGFIELD – Local students graduated from Western New England University in Springfield in August of this year. Western New England University awarded degrees to 142 undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral students from 19 states and four countries.

Western New England University welcomes the following students as alumni:

Evan Hebert of Chicopee graduated from Western New England University with a BBA in General Business.

Frank Harvey of Chicopee graduated from Western New England University with a BSE in Civil Engineering/ Reservoir Engineering Concentration.

Anthony Montero of Chicopee graduated from Western New England University with a MS in Accounting.

MacKenzie Larochelle of Chicopee graduated from Western New England University with a MS in Sport Leadership & Coaching.

Baystate Health to provide free COVID-19 testing

Special testing will run Oct. 14 – 29

SPRINGFIELD – In an effort to offer additional COVID-19 testing where needed in the community, Baystate Health is collaborating with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to expand COVID-19 testing in the region via the Commonwealth's Stop the Spread program.

Expanded testing is being offered beginning Wednesday, Oct. 14 at 298 Carew St. in Springfield and 164 High St. in Greenfield. Testing will occur on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 1 to 4 p.m. and continue until Thursday, Oct. 29.

Those interested must schedule an appointment to be tested by calling (413) 794-0012 only between 5-8 p.m. Monday through Friday. Up to 150 appointments will be scheduled per site per day

The events are part of the state's Stop the Spread program, where the Commonwealth is launching strategic testing in communities across Massachusetts that have continued to see a higher number of residents testing positive for COVID-19.

The testing is offered at no cost and no physician referral is needed to be tested. Results will be available within 48 hours.

A free packet of 10 masks per family will also be handed out.

For more information on Baystate Health services, visit www.baystatehealth.org.

Drive-up flu clinics coming to HCC

HOLYOKE – Holyoke Community College will serve as a host site for drive-up flu vaccine clinics during the next few weeks.

The clinics will be held on Fri., Oct. 23; Tues,. Nov. 3; and Fri., Nov. 6. They are being provided by the Holyoke Board of Health and CVS Pharmacy and will be open to the general public.

All the clinics run from 8 – 11 a.m. and will be held in Parking Lot M next to HCC's Bartley Center for Athletics and Recreation on the main campus at 303 Homestead Ave., Holyoke, the same location where free COVID-19 testing is underway until Oct. 31.

The flu vaccines are free with most insurance, including MassHealth. Pre-registration is not required but highly recommended to ensure sufficient supply.

These are drive-up clinics, so there is no need to exit your vehicle. Free face masks will also be distributed on site.

Appointments can be scheduled for 20-minute time slots by following the links on the HCC website to the CVS Pharmacy registration pages for each day: hcc.edu/flu

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Russell Gloor is a Social Security advisor for AMAC.

Chicopee celebrates Polish Heritage Month

City Hall Polish heritage month: On Oct. 14, Police Chief William Jebb, CPD PIO Danusia Liska, Mayor John Vieau and other city officials and personnel honored Polish Heritage Month with a raising of the Polish flag at City Hall. Submitted photo

Fairview Cemetery announces Fall Cleanup

CHICOPEE – As the leaves begin to fall, the Chicopee Parks and Recreation Department will begin cleanup of the Fairview Cemetery beginning the week of Oct. 26.

The Fairview Cemetery Commission and Parks Department asks that all families please remove grave decorations by Sunday, Oct. 25. Once the cleanup begins all remaining decorations will be removed and discarded by cemetery staff.

Artificial grave ornaments, artificial flowers, enclosures of any kind, and new plantings in the ground are not allowed as they are hazardous to both visitors and workers. Holiday pots and boxes will only be allowed during the Memorial Day and Holiday seasons.

For a complete list of Fairview Cemetery rules and regulations, fees and charges, and monument policies, please visit www.chicopeema.gov/384/Fairview-Cemetery or call the Parks and Recreation Office at 594-3481.

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do it out of your free will, that's impressive that you take responsibility as a resident of a city and as a citizen of this country," said Surdyka.

Surdyka noted that new changes to the registration format have proven beneficial. Voters with a license or some form of government identification are now able to register online.

To participate in the coming election, voters must register by Oct. 24. Residents can vote by mail-in ballots or early voting; mail-in ballots that are postmarked on or before Nov. 3 will still be counted through Nov. 6.

Surdyka also shed light on the state of the decennial Federal Population Census, which was halted prematurely by the Supreme Court last week. Surdyka and her colleagues planned to promote census taking through at least the end of the month, but are taking the development in stride.

"It's disappointing, but under the circumstances, yes, it was a success. I think that the city did an excellent job" said Surdyka. "I'm confident that our record is quite accurate. I wish they had more time and could be more thorough."

Surdyka joked that "some people are working very hard not to be found," but thanked local partners such as the Valley Opportunity Council and the Polish National Credit Union for their assistance. Local community pillars such as convenient stores and churches also contributed.

Dalton Zbierski is a member of the Chicopee Census Complete Count Committee and is a Staff Writer, who can be reached at dzbierski@turley.com.

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Exceptions will be made only when the family provides a death certificate and must be pre-paid.

[L to R] Heidi Roskuski and Maryanne Papp stand next to "Teddy Raffle," a teddy bear covered in cash and lottery tickets, during last weekend's bazaar at St. Stan's.

The kitchen inside St. Stan's School was busy all throughout last weekend's bazaar.

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extensive effort that preceded the Saturday evening event.

"It took two different weekends. One weekend we made the filling and the cheese. The next weekend we did the cabbage and then made the pierogis," said Dynak. "It was great; we had so many people come together and make it happen. Tonight, it's just so good to get everyone together and smiling and dancing and having a good time."

A number of St. Stanislaus students contributed to the initiative, helping to organize meal items and place them into plastic bags. Inside the school, student Savanna Rivera was in her element and explained why she felt it was worth it to attend.

"It's very important because nobody's been able to go out and see their friends and everything, so the little moments you do get to spend time with those people makes up for it," said Rivera.

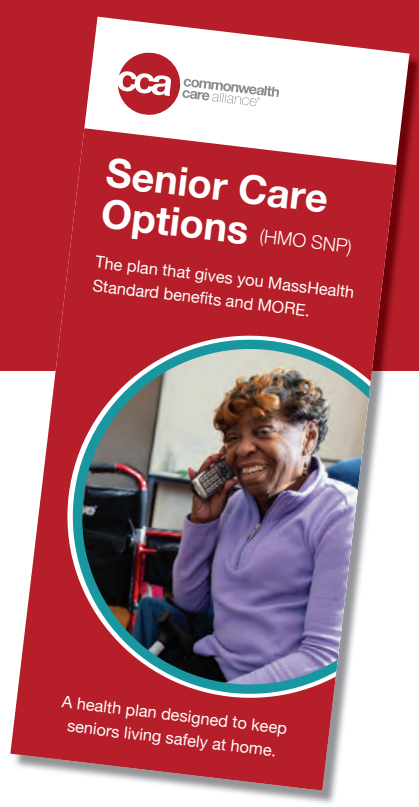
Five members of St. Stan's Girl Scouts Troop 11956 also arrived at St. Stan's on Oct. 17. Troop leader Dina Soja noted the value of the personal interactions that the girls experienced during the event.

"They love this kind of thing because they don't want to be virtual. They want to be together," said Soja. "Meetings are difficult when you can't find a place to meet at this point, but we've figured it out, and they love it. I think it's great that the older people and the younger people are working together to make a new tradition."

Even the weather cooperated last Saturday, as the bazaar coincided with a beautiful sunset. Given the uncertainty of the times, Conklin is confident that the celebration could not have gone better.

"It's a good bunch of people. We're blessed," she said. "There are people here who aren't even parishioners but they love St. Stan's, so they want to help us. The churches weren't getting any money, and we're trying to help out the parish a lot."

Dennis Polisky & Maestro's Men were on-hand, playing polka music at last Saturday's bazaar.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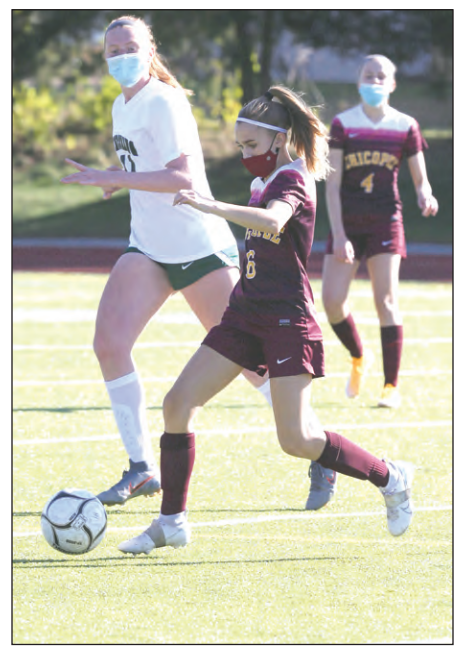

Avery Placzek avoids contact with a Minnechaug player.

Marina Fedora sends a quick touch away.

Athena Cusson attempts to settle a loose ball.

Pacers fall at home

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CHICOPEE – The Chicopee High School girls soccer team was defeated last Wednesday afternoon in a tough matchup against Minnechaug. Chicopee fell 11-1.

Kamila Soja gets the pass off ahead of pressure.

The Chicopee Comp boys work along the trail.

Colts grab win over Ludlow

LUDLOW – The Chicopee Comprehensive High School boys cross country team defeated host Ludlow 22-34 earlier this season. Comp took four of the first five spots to grab the win. Garret Theberge finished with the best overall time of 18:02. The girls lost to Ludlow 18-45.

Garret Theberge was a top finisher in the race.

Bailey Breton came in third for the Colts.

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High school play continues as high-risk communities emerge

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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REGION – It is clear to many MIAA official, school administrations, and athletic directors, that the Fall 1 season was not going to be without hiccups.

Already, a few student-athletes have tested positive for the coronavirus, and the bubble of Springfield teams have had to shut down their sports due to Springfield remaining high-risk for multiple weeks in a row.

But more locally, a few communities have reacted to being in the "red" differently.

Belchertown, widely known now to have stricter guidelines for athletics than other communities, has now had to postpone a number of games scheduled against neighboring Amherst Regional High School. Amherst is in a Hampshire "bubble" league with Belchertown, South Hadley, and Granby among their opponents. While other schools within the bubble are continuing to play against Amherst, now in its second consecutive week of being a high-risk community for COVID-19, Belchertown will not allow Amherst to come to Belchertown, and will not travel there until Amherst is no longer a high-risk community.

The decision not to play Amherst was made by the school department on advice from Belchertown's health director. However, the Board of Health has not made any orders dictating how Belchertown High School approaches issues with sports, including the ban on spectators for the time being.

Another community in the high-risk category is Holyoke. Holyoke High School has been classified as high-risk for two weeks as of Oct. 16, but teams other than West Springfield have continued to play against them. Holyoke High School Athletic Director Melanie Martin said West Springfield will not play against Holyoke until Holyoke has been "yellow" or moderate-risk or better for

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Turley Sports joins Instagram

Turley Publications sports department has recently joined Instagram. You can find our account by searching "turleysports." We will regularly feature samples of photos that you will see in our publications on a weekly basis. Please follow and share with your friends and loved ones. We will be featuring photos from all 11 of our sports sections in the coming weeks, but as always, you can see all the photos that appear by subscribing to your local paper or picking up a copy in your community.

Lutz wins modified race at Thompson

THOMPSON, Conn. — Miller Place, NY's Craig Lutz ended the 2020 NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour season on the highest of highs with his second win of the year at Connecticut's Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park on Sunday, October 11. Lutz swiped the lead from Jon McKennedy with seven laps remaining and hung on to win the 150-lap event at the 58th Annual Sunoco World Series of Speedway Racing as Holtsville, NY's Justin Bonsignore secured his second series championship.

The 26-year-old Lutz earned his fourth career Whelen Modified Tour win and first at the historic Thompson Speedway. For the 32-year-old Bonsignore, the title was the capstone on a 2020 season where he finished no worse than fifth at any event.

Six-time champion Doug Coby, who was the only driver who could catch Bonsignore entering the Sunoco World Series, started on the pole and led the first 30 laps. Chelmsford, MA's McKennedy then surged ahead of him entering turn three and paced the field unto the fourth caution flag at lap 73 for Dave Sapienza's spin.

Nearly all the lead lap cars chose to pit for right side tires at that point with Andover, NJ's Calvin Carroll assuming the lead by staying out. Following another yellow on the restart for a Ronnie Wiliams spin, Norwalk, CT's Ron Silk sliced to the lead for a circuit before Bonsignore then blasted to the lead on lap 88.

The championship was then decided on a lap-97 restart. Silk eagerly leapt to the lead while Lutz tried to move around Bonsignore for second entering turn three. The duo wiggled, Kyle Bonsignore checked up, and the accordion effect ended with Coby in the turn-four wall, which put an end to his day. Since the lap wasn't completed, Bonsignore went back to the lead by rule, and Silk was assessed a pass-through penalty for jumping the start.

Lutz successfully overtook Bonsignore on the next green flag and paced the field until caution number nine. It was McKennedy who got the jump on the lap-138 restart for his second stint at the front. Sapienza pounded the turn-one wall a lap later for the 10th and final yellow. Lutz took advantage of his second chance, putting a crossover move on McKennedy out of turn two and wrestling the lead back with six laps to go.

McKennedy had time to take another shot, and with three laps to go, he backed off entering turn three to set up a potential slingshot off turn four. But Silk, who had steadily driven back to third after serving his penalty, got into the back of McKennedy. The contact threw McKennedy off just enough for Lutz to get away for the victory.

Justin Bonsignore finished fourth to officially clinch his second Whelen Modified Tour title in the last three years. His cousin Kyle was right behind him in fifth. Sam Remeau took sixth while Woody Pitkat came back from a mid-race flat tire to finish seventh. Carroll, Patrick Emerling, and Tyler Rypkema completed the top-10.

McKennedy did start the afternoon with a winning by getting the best of Rowley, MA's Chris Perley in the closing laps of the ISMA Supermodified event. McKennedy started third in the 50-lap feature and got to the rear bumper of polesitter Perley following the race's only yellow at lap 4.

Perley, McKennedy, and Ronnie Williams then ran away from the field. McKennedy got alongside Perly Multiple times on the frontstretch, and the duo even banged wheels entering turn one just past halfway with both hanging on for dear life.

With the 10-to-go signal in sight, McKennedy got his opportunity. The leaders came up on a pair of lapped cars, and as Perley struggled to find a way around them, McKennedy dove to the bottom off turn four. The multi-time Modified champion finally completed the pass entering turn one and pulled away over the final 10 circuits to win on Sunoco World Series Weekend for the second straight year.

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Craig Lutz took the modified race on Oct. 11 at Thompson Speedway.

Perley took second with Williams third in his first-ever ISMA Supermodified start. Mike Ordway Jr., Anthony Nocella, Otto Sitterly, Ryan Locke, Daniel Connors, Kyle Edwards, and Dave Danzer completed the top-10.

Pro All Stars Series Super Late Model point leader D.J. Shaw of Center Conway, NH strengthened his bid for a fourth championship by winning the World Series 75. Shaw, who had finished second five times this year without a victory, started outside pole and got the jump when Brandon Barker had trouble at the initial green flag.

Rowley, MA's Eddie MacDonald was right behind and looked below Shaw several times before getting around the outside in lapped traffic on lap 29. Shaw kept MacDonald in his sights, and after a pair of yellows at lap-42, he roared back around him on the outside. MacDonald then fell into a three-way battle for second with Derek Ramstrom and Ray Christian III. By the time MacDonald escaped their clutches, Shaw was long gone on his way to the victory.

Prizes added for tri-track race at Stafford

SEEKONK – With a $10,000 winning prize on the line for the Tri Track Open Modified Series debut at Stafford Motor Speedway on October 24, drivers will be pressing the throttle to the floor in hopes of getting to the front in the final laps.

But, that $10,000 check can only leave with one driver in the Call Before You Dig Modified Classic 81 – a race that is quickly shaping up to be one of the best Modified races of the season, if not one of the best in years.

With more than 45 cars already entered for the debut at the half-mile, it's clear that the big prize isn't the only reason why drivers will flock to Connecticut. The total purse rises over $49,500 -- and it continues to grow as the race gets closer. Second-place pays $4,000, while third pays $3,000, fourth $2,500 and fifth $2,100. Dropped down throughout the field, the driver that finishes last in the 81-lap feature will still collect a smooth $1,000 for their efforts. For those who don't qualify into the feature, there will also be tow money provided if they have pre-registered for the race.

And that's just the regular posted purse.

Contingency bonuses have been a hot topic with the Tri Track Open Modified Series in 2020, and the debut at Stafford will be no different. Through the Pepsi Challenge, $300 will be provided to each heat winner and the same $300 will go towards each driver who wins a consi race. Through the first three races of the season, more than $4,000 has already been distributed through the Pepsi Challenge.

Mark, Kate and the team at Green Construction have also provided a hard charger award for the Stafford event – and this one is going to dramatically increase someone's payday. Green will donate $1,000 to the driver that advances the most positions during the race from start to finish. The award is determined by the driver that advances the most spots from their starting spot to where they finished. The team at Green Construction have been supporters of the Tri Track Series and have boosted the value on this award to give a bit of extra incentive for competitors.

For once, it might be more beneficial to start towards the back of the field.

Ted Anderson – and his company, Superior Refinishing -- have provided $200 per race so far in 2020 – a total of $600 – and will add $200 more to the pot at Stafford. If the driver that starts on the pole wins the 81-lap feature, their total prize will move to $10,800. However, if the polesitter doesn't win the race, the team at Superior will donate the $800 towards creating a strong B-Main feature payout. Per the Tri Track rulebook, officials will determine on race day whether a B-Main is necessary based on how many cars are in the pit area.

Finally, a new contingency award added to the pot this week includes former JR Motorsports employee and current NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour winning crew chief Ryan Stone. Stone, and his business, Stone's Parts and Performance, based out of Milford, Connecticut, will sponsor a $300 award for the driver that posts the fastest lap in the 81-lap race. Stone's is a FURY parts dealer that also offers chassis consultation, shock services, setup help and more.

The entry list for the race includes the top names in Modified racing – with Doug Coby, Keith Rocco Justin Bonsignore, Matt Hirschman, Ron Silk, Chase Dowling, Ronnie Williams, Mike Christopher Jr., Les Hinckley, Matt Swanson, Woody Pitkat, Burt Myers, Jon McKennedy and more expected. The entry list stands at 48 drivers on Friday, October 16, with still a week to go before the green flag.

Stafford Motor Speedway will run at 50% capacity for this event due to restrictions by the state of Connecticut because of COVID-19. To purchase tickets, fans should visit the Stafford online store on the Stafford website. Tickets are $35 for adults in general admission, $10 for kids that are 6 to 14, and free for those under 5. Pit passes are also available for purchase at $50. Any remaining tickets would be available at the gate if they don't sell out.

The race day schedule includes practice for the Tri Track Series from 11-12:30 p.m., with qualifying heat races starting at 1:30 p.m. The Call Before You Dig Modified Classic 81 is scheduled to take the green flag around 4:30 p.m. The Stafford SK Light Modifieds and Street Stocks will also join the racing card.

Help feature your student-athletes

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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The fall season is underway and Turley Publications has been back out covering the action for the first two weeks.

We continue to ask for help on this season in order to bring the best coverage we can possibly manage and fill our pages with names and color.

We know that fans will be limited to the home crowds, but that is where you all come in.

We have a limited number of staff to start the school year due to the pandemic, and while we strive to get to as many games as possible, we cannot get to everywhere.

If you are a parent, coach, or even player, and you have information or photographs to share, we definitely want to hear from you.

If you don't see one of our photographers at a game, please feel free to send your own action photos of games in order to bolster our coverage. If you are interested in regularly submitted photos, please do contact us.

Otherwise, we would love to hear from anyone who reports scores, details, and any milestones that occur during this unprecedented season. Please be sure the information you provide us is accurate and check with coaches, if necessary, before submitting.

We also encourage all coaches to submit their results and details as much as possible. Send any and all information and photos for inclusion to sports@turley.com.

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two consecutive weeks.

Other communities, like Agawam, are following Department of Elementary and Secondary Education guidance, which says three weeks of data are needed before a school considers ceasing play with a high-risk community.

"That's the guidance we received from DESE," said Agawam Athletic Director David Stratton. "We have no problem playing against Holyoke." Agawam was even set to host Holyoke in field hockey on Oct. 16, and played at Holyoke in girls soccer on Oct. 7, the same day Holyoke received it's "red" designation.

In the Hampden East League that was created, East Longmeadow was a community placed at high-risk.

Among the schools in that bubble are Chicopee, Chicopee Comprehensive, Ludlow, and Minnechaug.

Ludlow Athletic Director Tim Brillo and Minnechaug Athletic Director Michael Roy both confirmed last week they have not received orders from their respective health departments to cease any type of play with red school. "Even though communities are in high risk," said Roy. "The guidance is to not shut everything down and wait for three weeks of data."

In what is perceived widely as a "second wave" of the virus, officials are still hopeful to get through the Fall 1 season without any type of widespread shutdown.

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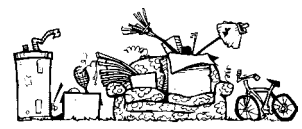

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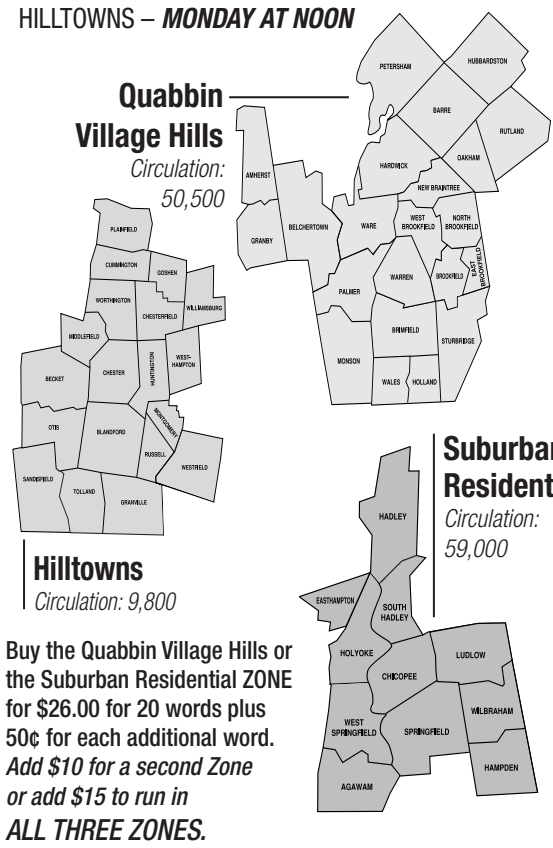

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Notice Of Sale

By MA Gen Laws c. 255, Sec. 39A,**Chucks Towing. 78 West St., Chicopee, MA** is holding a private sale **October 29, 2020 at 2 P.M.** to satisfy garage keepers lien for storage and towing charges and expenses notice of sale.

2007 Acura RDX Black
Vin# 5J8TB18207A004378
Owner: Jamal Antonio Rodriguez Francis
Date of Tow: 1-28-20
10/9, 10/16, 10/23/2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD20P1763EA
Estate of:
Delores Dzialo
Date of Death: 09/20/2020
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Debra Alexopoulos** of Chicopee, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Debra Alexopoulos** of Chicopee, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **an unsupervised** administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/13/2020**.

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WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland,** First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 09, 2020
Suzanne T. Seguin
Register of Probate
10/23/2020

SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES
Under G.L. c.255 Sec. 39A

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Springfield, Ma 01109

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Angelo Dimavro
66 Mayflower Lane
West Suffield, Ct 06093

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VIN: 68G010VM819VXZVX6
Unknown

1999 OLDSMOBILE INTRIGUE
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Georgia Rose Mccoy
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Olathe, Ks 66062

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Juan Cea
94 Waldoboro Rd
Jefferson, Me 04348

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Gladys Vanessa Cotto
36 Edgewood St
Hartford, Ct 06112

2000 HONDA CIVIC
VIN: 1HGEJ8243YL023091
Jorge Antonio Perez
103 Putnam Circle
Springfield, Ma 01104

2002 FORD TAURUS
VIN: 1FAFP38362W190141
Deborah Mckinney
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Lakeland, Fl 33809

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Sheila M Carrasquillo
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Hartford, Ct 06112

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VIN:JTDBT123820221118
Kathleen Rodriguez
431 Hillside Ave
Holyoke, Ma 01040

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VIN: 1GMDX03E43D147516
Georgia Rose Mccoy
15579 W 141St St
Olathe, Ks 66062

2004 BMW 525I
VIN: WBANA53554B845764
Barbara Gasque
22 Vassar St
Springfield, Ma 01109

2004 HYUNDAI SANTA FE
VIN: KM8SC13E14U751888
Jeffery Collins
107 Susan Dr
Westfield, Ma 01085

2005 CHEVROLET IMPALA
VIN: 2G1WF52E259369012
Cynthia Cabrera
196 Bowdoin St Apt 1L
Springfield, Ma 01109

2005 HONDA ACCORD
VIN: 3HGCM56405G700629
Frances Vargas
51 River St 3Fl
Waterbury, Ct 06706

2005 MAZADA MAZDA6I
VIN: 1YVHP80C755M66844
Neftali Burgos
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Waterbury, Ct 06710

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VIN: 1N4AL11DX5C223550
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Forestdale, Ma 02644

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VIN: 1N4AL11E45N460631
Joseph Kennedy
29 Greenvale Lane
Syosset, Ny 11791

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VIN: 3N1CB51D85L500491
Jessica Rivera
23 Prince St Apt 1
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2006 BMW 325XI
VIN: WBAVD13516KV07412
Jeffery Rusin/John Rusin
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Westfield, Ma 01085

2006 FORD TAURUS
VIN: 1FAFP56U06A122170
Junior A Ysalguez
10 Tuscan Rd
Lynn, Ma 01904

2007 FORD FUSION
VIN: 3FAHP07127R221578
Robert White
18 Central Ave
Chicopee, Ma 01020

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VIN:1FAFP53U67A205947
David Sharples
1430 Russell Rd #29
Westfield, Ma 01085

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Brieanna Bleau
569 Canon Circle
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VIN: JS1GT77A872112244
Fabio Dasilva
411B Reservoir Ave
Revere, Ma 02151

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VIN: 1HGCS11808A019060
Christopher Martin
50 Gould St
Stoneham, Ma 02180

2009 JEEP PATRIOT LIMITED
VIN: 1J8FF48B99D138107
Clifford Murphy
4 Oakhurst St
N Attleborough, Ma 02760

2010 CHRYSLER TOWN & COUNTRY
VIN: 2A4RR4DEXAR347007
Kelly A Martin
5 Lynwood St
Plaistow, Nh 03865

2011 CHEVROLET CRUZE
VIN: 1G1PG5S98B7125298
Felicia Danasia Johnson
337 Orange St Apt#2
Albany, Ny 12210

2012 HONDA CBR250R
VIN: MLHMC4107C5202739
Leona Ittleman
235 State Street
Springfield, Ma 01103

2013 FREIGHTLINER CASCADIA 125
VIN: 3AKJGLDR1DSFH4035
Aquarius Blue Llc
382 Seminole Road
Sumter, South Carolina 29150

2019 KAWASAKI ZX 1002 D
VIN: JKBZXVD16KA000123
Unknown

2001 FORD FOCUS
VIN: 1FAHP34351W142076
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD20P0607EA
Estate of:
Luis Alberto Silva, Sr.
Date of Death: 02/28/2020
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Luis A Silva, Jr.** of Chicopee, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

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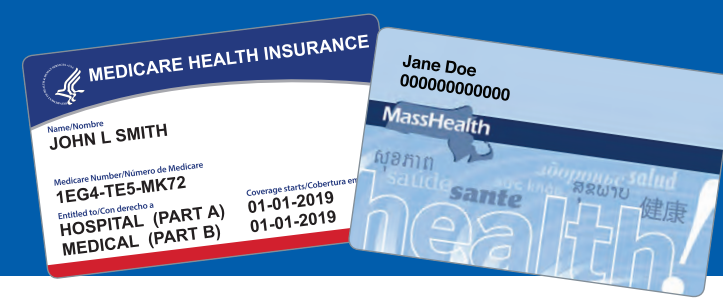

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